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1. TEXT OF BURNHAM'S SPEECH WILL ONLY BE AVAILABLE TOMORROW. NO
MENTION MADE IN LOCAL PRESS COVERAGE OF BURNHAM CHARGE THAT USG
ATTEMPTED BLOCK WORLD BANK LOANS FOR GUYANESE SEA DEFENSE.

2. I CALLED MINISTER OF STATE IN PRIME MINISTERS OFFICE TO
CHECK QUOTE. HE CONFIRMED SUBSTANCE OF QUOTE CITED PARAGRAPH 2
OF REFERENCE (A), BUT SAID IT WAS CLEARLY PLACED IN CHRONOLOGICAL
CONTEXT OF NEGOTIATIONS WITH ALCAN PRIOR TO NATIONALIZATION.
WHEN I QUOTED LAST ANSWER OF REFERENCE (B) THAT U.S. VOTED IN
FAVOR OF WORLD BANK LOANS FOR GUYANESE SEA DEFENSE ON THE TWO
OCCASIONS WHEN SUCH LOANS WERE PROPOSED IN 1969 AND 1971,
(WITHOUT IDENTIFYING REFERENCE AS PRESS GUIDANCE), MINISTER
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SAID HE THOUGHT MY SOURCE WAS INCORRECT. HE SAID THAT U.S.

DELEGATE TO WORLD BANK HAD ABSTAINED ON LOAN IN 1971 AFTER HAVING
SPOKEN AGAINST MAKING LOAN AT THAT TIME (I.E. HE HAD FAVORED
DELAY). HE SAID THAT LOAN HAD BEEN APPROVED DESPITE U.S.
DELEGATE ABSTENTION WITH CANADA AND THE OTHER NATIONS MENTIONED
VOTING IN FAVOR.

3. I WOULD GREATLY APPRECIATE CLARIFICATION OF THIS MATTER. MATTHEWS

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